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SUBJECT: US-INDO JOINT SUBCOMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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1. DR. R D DESHPANDE, DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION, GOI DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND INDIAN COORDINATOR OF THE SUBCOMMISSION ASKED SCIENCE COUNSELOR TO INFORM THE US GOVERNMENT THAT THE INDIAN MEMBERS OF THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMISSION ARE AGAIN HARD AT WORK.

2. THEY WILL MEET THIS FRIDAY, JUNE 13, TO GO OVER IN CONCERT THE PERTINENT PAPERS ALREADY SUBMITTED BY THE US AND INDIAN SUBCOMMISSION MEMBERS, AND TO OUTLINE THEIR OWN WORK FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE, WITH THE MAIN AIM BEING TO DEVELOP A NUMBER OF SPECIFIC PROPOSALS.

3. DESHPANDE HOPES THESE WILL BE READY IN JULY, AND THAT PERTINENT AMERICAN WORKING GROUP MEMBERS CAN MEET WITH THEIR INDIAN COUNTERPARTS IN INDIA IN AUGUST, FOLLOWED BY A MEETING OF THE INDO-US SUBCOMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN NEW DELHI IN SEPTEMBER.

4. DR. NAG CHAUDHURI THINKS THIS SCHEDULE IS TOO HASTY, BUT DESHPANDE THINKS IT WILL HELP ACCELERATE INDIAN ACTION.

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5. THE INDIANS PROBABLY WILL NOT CONFINES THEMSELVES
TO THE PRIORITIES INDICATED IN THE REFTEL, BUT PLAN TO CONSIDER
MUTUALLY ATTRACTIVE PROPOSALS IN ANY FIELD.

6. DESHPANDE MENTIONED AS INDIAN WORKING GROUP LEADERS
BUMBLA FOR AGRICULTURE, SHARAN FOR ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES,
GOPALAN FOR HEALTH, ASHOK PARTHASARATHY (A NEW ADDITION - FORMERLY
ADVISER TO THE PRIME MINISTER, NOW JOINT SECRETARY IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS; DID MAJOR INDIAN STAFF WORK FOR THE
JANUARY 1974 PUGWASH SCIENTISTS MEETING IN HYDERABAD) FOR
ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS, ASHOK KHOSLA FOR ENVIRONEMNT,
AND HIMSELF FOR EXCHANGE OF SCIENTISTS AND INFORMATION.SCHNEIDER

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